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Hinkal Flyover to open before Dasara

75% works completed; much-delayed project began on April 27, 2016

Mysuru, Sept.7 (RK&DM)- The much-delayed work on the construction of flyover on Mysuru-Hunsur Highway near Hinkal will be completed before this Dasara.

It is the first-ever flyover being constructed by Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) in the city and that too on a crucial road that links Mysuru to Kodagu and Dakshina Kannada.

Officials and workers are working overtime to speed up the work and complete it before Dasara as it is causing a lot of traffic bottlenecks at the Hinkal Junction. Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, MUDA Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) (JnNURM-North) K.N. Satish said that the estimated cost of the project is Rs. 15.18 crore while the tender-approved amount was Rs. 19.80 crore.

The cost of the project when it began was Rs. 14.81 crore. While Central Government has funded 60 percent of the costs, State Government has contributed 20 percent and MUDA has shared 20 percent. "75 percent of the works have been completed and we are targeting the Dasara deadline," he said.

(See FLYOVER on page 9)

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Cops chase cop to get quarters vacated

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (RK&BCT)- Here is a case of Police Department making desperate efforts to evict a Police Constable from his official quarters. The Police Constable, who has been dismissed from service following dereliction of duties, has refused to vacate the department quarters and the Police top brass have now directed their subordinate officers to forcibly vacate him from the house and submit an action-taken report.

Prasanna

The Police Constable in question is Prasanna Kumar – Armed Police Constable from City Armed Reserve Police – who was dismissed from service in 2015. When he was in service, he was allotted an official quarters (No. 201-202) at Hootagalli Government Housing Complex. A few months after he was dismissed, Prasanna Kumar was asked on 21.12.2016 to vacate the house.

However, despite the order, Prasanna Kumar continued to stay in the house. Several notices (dated 21.4.2017, 24.6.2017 and 2.9.2017) were issued to him and despite this, he refused to vacate the official quarters. Two reminders (4-12-2017 and 23-06-2018) were also sent.

(See COPS on page 9)

To Our Readers

Karan Thapar

The ace Television Show host Karan Thapar was in Mysuru recently to launch his book *"Devil's Advocate — The Untold Story."* After the launch, *Star of Mysore* Features Editor N. Niranjan Nikam cornered him to get the remaining part of the 'untold story' for the benefit of our readers.

This probably is one of the most interesting and intriguing interviews the Mogul among TV interviewers has ever given to a newspaper — frank, eloquent and transparent.

Apart from many revelations Karan has made in the interview, what he spoke about two persons, namely his wife Nisha Meneses and Congress politician P. Chidambaram are of great human interest — one of sentiment and another of ego. Now turn to page-6 to read and find out yourself what he spake.—**Ed**

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Enemies of the State

In the context of expressing love for one's motherland, one is prompted to cite an ancient verse dating back to the times of *Thretayuga* during which the episodes featured in the epic Ramayana, attributed to Sage Valmiki, are narrated. The verse, part of which reads *Janani Janmabhumischa Swargadapi Gariyasi* (mother and motherland are greater than heaven), uttered by Lord Srirama while addressing his brother Lakshmana after Vibheeshana, brother of the slain demon King of Lanka, Ravana, after the victory invited Lord Rama, Lakshmana and the army of monkeys to enter Lanka and be his guests for some time. In total contrast of sorts, we are presently witnessing exodus of people of the land heading to distant shores for various well-marked compulsions and mainly in search of greener pastures. The ideal of patriotism, a stronger sentiment than love for one's country, doesn't appear to appeal to this growing stock of Indians, particularly youth armed with degrees from institution of higher education. However, their case of walking out of their motherland is perfectly legal unlike the case of the ideologues who are facing the charge of sedition.

Pages of the land's history tell us of loyalists owing allegiance to their monarch keeping a close vigil on people marked with conduct or speech inciting people to rebel against the authority of the State or monarch. Sedition is unquestionably an overt conduct and justifiably attracts action to put it down, particularly when it is violative of the land's Constitution.

Democracy, in its classical sense, not only provides for dissent by criticising the government of the day for its policies and actions as integral ingredients of *good* governance. Dissenting in foul tone as well as using harsh expressions is bound to earn reaction from the powers that be resulting in outrage, further vitiating the atmosphere to no end. That is exactly what the nation witnessed in the mid-70s about which even public memory has not faded. There are portents of the sequential events of that time repeating in our times, given the countrywide scenario of unrest, even as the government is focused on moving towards stronger economy, setting the goal of GDP to touch double digit growth.

In the meantime, five activists charged with delivering anti-State inflammatory speeches, bordering on sedition last week, have made news of law-keeping machinery arresting them. While the intellects are sure to get rankled, enemies of the State need to be reined in. Dealing with them with kid gloves will only push the nation into a destabilised state.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

AP PLAN TO FIGHT SNAKE MENACE: ***The Andhra Pradesh government has devised a plan to mitigate the rising incidence of snake bites in the State. Believe it or not, it is planning to organise a 'sarpayagyam,' a ritual to propitiate the Snake God, after some people died in Krishna district and over 100 were hospitalised after being bitten by snakes. The Subramanyeswaraswamy temple in Mopidevi, where believers are known to perform the ritual, will be the venue for the*** *Sarpayagam* ***and the*** *sarpa dosha nivarana* ***puja to be organised by the government's Endowments Departments. As expected, the move had drawn flak from various groups, including anti-superstition organisation, Jana Vignana Vedike.*** *— In Business Standard.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

This Elf wants others to be mythical creatures

Illinois: Kimberel Eventide of Illinois, who identifies herself as an elf wants others to become mythical creatures too. She is part of a growing community that describes themselves as "Otherkin", or people who identify as something other than human. Not only does she believe she is an elf, but also believes that she was sent to earth as a "spiritual guide" for humans.

Kimberel is on a mission helping humans transform into high elves by elevating their consciousnesses, just as she has. She works to achieve this goal by using social media platforms. She says, "This is my major mission, to guide humanity into the higher dimensions of both perception and experience."

She wears Corset for 23 hrs daily for thin waist

California: A mother of three wears Corset for 23 hours everyday, just to maintain her super thin waist which measures 18 inches.

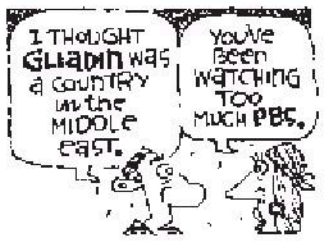
When Navy veteran Diana Ringo, 39, of Chula Vista, California gave birth to her twins three years ago, she felt that the loss of her curves had masculinized her once feminine figure.

Diet and exercise alone weren't giving her the desired results, and so she turned to waist training. She now wears a tight corset 23 hours day, only removing it to shower or work out.

The mother-of-three currently has an 18-inch waist to show for her efforts, down from her post-birth 27-inch waist.

HEALTH CAPSULE
by Bron Smith

Are there different kinds of gluten?



There are hundreds of varieties of gluten, but those prominently found in wheat are gliadin, which gives bread dough its rising ability, and glutenin, which gives dough its elastic quality.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

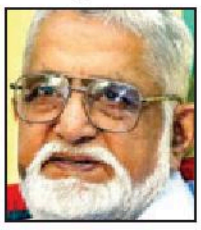
Mary's Feast tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept. 7 - Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church, Srirampura, will be celebrating the birthday of Blessed Virgin Mary (Mary's Feast) on Sept. 8 at 5.30 pm at the Church premises.

Rev. Fr. Christopher Crasta MSFS will concelebrate the Feast Mass at 6 pm which will be followed by candle light procession, according to a press release from Parish Priest Rev. Fr. Raymond.

'Tejaswi 80' on Sept. 8 and 9

Mysuru, Sept.7(US&RKB)- Marking the 80th birth anniversary of writer late K.P. Poornachandra Tejaswi, Abhiruchi Prakashana, Maanava Mantapa, Niranthara, Rajya Raitha Sangha and other organisations together have organised 'Tejaswi-80' special programme on Sept.8 and 9 at the Mini Auditorium in Kalamandira premises.



Disclosing this at a press meet at Pathrakarthara Bhavan here, Social Activist Ugranarasimha Gowda said that the special programme would feature plays based on works of Tejaswi, an exhibition of pictures of birds at Suchitra Art Gallery, screening of a documentary and seminars.

Environmentalist Nagesh Hegde will inaugurate the photo expo on Sept.8 at 10.30 am followed by screening of the documentary titled 'Mayaloka' created by wildlife photographers Krupakar-Senani and a seminar.

The play '*Yenktana Pungi*' would be staged at 7 pm.

On Sept. 9 at 8 am, a bird-watching programme with a factual presentation is arranged at Kukkarahalli Lake.

Really...?

- ***Bengaluru was one of the first cities in India to get electricity, due to the hydro-electric plant situated in Shivanasamudra.***
- ***Mattur or Mathur village in Karnataka is known for the usage of Sanskrit for day-to-day communication instead of Kannada.***
- ***Rava idli, a popular variant of the idli, was invented during the World War II as a food item for the soldiers by a popular Bengaluru eatery.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher: *How can we keep our school clean?*
Student: *By staying at home...!!*

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1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 93.01**
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VOICE OF THE READER

Traffic Police need to be pro-public

Sir,

The considerable hardship faced by many passengers, especially ladies, children and the aged as apprehended by Prof. B. S. Shankara in his letter ***"Enforce traffic discipline at Rly. Station back gate"*** (*Star of Mysore* dated Aug.29) is very true. Traffic Police instead of solving the issue has compounded the issue by penalising the passengers — apparently in unison with auto unions.

Under no circumstances the Traffic Police can ban entry of app based vehicle aggregators like UBER, OLA and Jugnu. As rightly pointed out by Prof. Shankara, it will be a torture to the passengers in rains and under hot sun to walk from Railway Station to KRS Road with luggage and vice versa.

All vehicles should be permitted to pick up and drop the passengers at the rear terminal. Traffic Police can monitor the movement of vehicles to ensure that there is no block. Parking of vehicles close to the entrance can be banned to ensure smooth movement of all vehicles.

Any action taken by Traffic Police should mitigate the woes of the public, not compound the woes.

—K. Chandrahas

Mysuru
30.8.2018

Visually Challenged appointed UoM PG Department Chairman

Mysuru, Sept.7- In a bold move, the University of Mysore (UoM) has appointed a visually challenged person as the Chairman of a Post Graduate Department in Manasagangothri. This is the first time in the 102-year history of the University that a person who is visually challenged has been appointed.

Krishna Hombal

Assistant Professor Krishna R. Hombal is the person who is appointed as the Chairman of the Department of Studies in Political Science. He started working in the Department in 1999 and obtained his Ph.D in 2010. He got his M.A. and M.Phil from Karnatak University, Dharwad.

He got the opportunity, as the Chairman's post is occupied by rotation every two years by a Professor. However, as per the University Grants Commission (UGC), the Chairman's post should be occupied by a Professor. Since Prof. G.T. Ramachandrappa is the only professor in the Department, the Assistant Professor has been made the Chairman.

Originally, the Department had three Professors but two of them have been deputed to other Departments. Hence, the issue came up for discussion in the Syndicate meeting held recently. A few members expressed concern over a visually challenged person's capacities to handle the responsibilities of the Chairman. However, since Hombal expressed confidence in his ability to discharge the duties, he was given the charge as Chairman.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* here this morning, Hombal said that he is going to take charge today (Sept.7) as the Chairman. "It was Prof. S. N. Hegde who appointed me as a lecturer in 1999. He had said that he had selected me in recognition of my merit and not because I was blind and encouraged me to contribute to the University."

Hombal, who is born blind, said that though he had studied only in Special Government Schools, he was the only person from such a background to reach this level and that was only due to support and encouragement of his parents, teachers and students. "I should have actually been the Chairman in 2012 itself. However, the promotions were delayed due to various reasons. At last I am happy that I have got the opportunity," he said.

Prof. Mane removed from Chairmanship

Meanwhile, former In-charge VC of UoM Prof. Dayanand Mane, who was the Chairman of the newly-established Public Administration Department, has been removed following a Syndicate decision and Dean of Arts Prof. Mahadev has been appointed as the In-charge Chairman.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Old students meeting

The Senior Students Association has convened a meeting to discuss about the centenary celebration of Sri Krishnaraja Government Higher Primary School, B.B. Garden Road, on Sept.8 at 4 pm at the School premises. Old students, Teachers, Parents, Head Masters and others who have served this school can attend. For details, call Mob: 88675-78808 or 78926-59552, according to a press release.

Entries for Dasara Horticulture contest

As part of Dasara Flower Show to be held from Oct. 10 to 21 at Kuppanna Park in city, a horticulture contest is being organised by the Department of Horticulture for industries, educational institutions, hotels and other organisations from Sept.28 to Oct.1. The applications for participating in the contest are being issued at the District Horticulture Association, Curzon Park, Mysuru, till Sept. 24, according to a press release.

Co-op. AGM

The 7th Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Sri Gurumalleshwara Graduates Credit Co-operative Society Ltd. (Mysuru and Chamarajanagar District), Ramanuja Road, will be held on Sept.9 at 11 am at Sri Nataraja Kalyana Mantapa, Khille Mohalla in city. Society President Ashwin R. Palegar will preside. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2445515, according to a press release.

No monthly meet

There will be no monthly meeting of Central Government Pensioners' Association, Mysuru, this month (Sept.12) due to Ganesha festival, according to Association President Dr. T.S. Sathyanarayana Rao, according to a press release.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)	
Today	124.32 ft
Yesterday	124.57 ft
Inflow	884 cusecs
Outflow	2,205 cusecs
Last year on this date	102.10 ft

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)	
Today	2,855.44 ft
Inflow	2,765 cusecs
Outflow	1,675 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)	
Today	2,283.63 ft
Inflow	2,426 cusecs
Outflow	1,500 cusecs

Nature's way of washing away waste

The rains may have stopped and the water levels are slowly receding from flood-hit areas. But authorities have another uphill battle — disposal of waste. Flood waters have left behind tonnes of solid waste including tree branches, uprooted creepers, waste clothes and plastic in towns and villages, like this one at the historical Wellesley Bridge near Srirangapatna. Cleaning the waste is a mammoth task. The Wellesley Bridge was completed in 1804 during the reign of Mummadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar and was built after the fall of Tipu Sultan in 1799 during the Fourth Anglo-Mysore War. It is an engineering marvel built on monolithic stone pillars. The bridge has so far withstood the pressure of water released from Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam and it stood firm even when more than one lakh cusecs of water was released last month. [Pic. by M.N. Lakshminarayana Yadav]

Search for new VC for Mysore University

Tug-of-war between Govt. and Governor's Office intensifies

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (RK&BCT)- The tug-of-war between the State Government and the Office of the Governor over constitution of Search Panel to select a regular Vice-Chancellor to University of Mysore (UoM) has intensified.

The controversy began after the Governor-Chancellor rejected the names recommended by the Search Panel headed by Prof. H.P. Khincha. The panel was asked by the Governor's Office to recommend another set of names. Following this and after a back-to-back communication with the Governor's Office regarding the existing Search Panel, the State Government has now decided to constitute a fresh Search Panel.

The Higher Education Department has written to the UoM to change at least two names. The Varsity has been directed to send fresh names to the Committee by Sept. 10. But already, the UoM Syndicate Sub-Committee has recommended the name of Prof. Coutinho to represent UoM in the Search Panel.

Sources in the University told *Star of Mysore* that Prof. Coutinho could be dropped from the Panel and a new name suggested. As it is mandatory for the Syndicate to meet and discuss the new nominee, an emergency special meeting of the Syndicate has been called this afternoon where the new Search Panel member will be selected.

Sources said the State Government wants to push for its nominee (at least two) to the Search Panel so that the UoM has a VC, who is willing to toe government line. The JD(S)-Congress government wants to push the names of academicians it prefers for VC's post.

The existing Search Committee may not shortlist the names of those preferred by the government and this has been realised by the JD(S) leaders in Mysuru. The political leadership wants an academician suggested by a former VC who has close links with the State government to become the next VC and this is the reason why the government is considering the option of replacing the Syndicate and government nominee to the Search Panel, sources said.

But the government's move to push its own nominees to the Search Panel may not go well with the Governor's Office and it might lead to fresh confrontation between the government and the Raj Bhavan, sources added.

The UoM VC's post has been vacant since Jan. 2017 after the retirement of Prof. K.S. Rangappa who has joined the JD(S). Since then, UoM has seen five in-charge VCs.

Hope for Men with Azoospermia!

The general perception is that if the man produces semen it always contains sperms. This is not true. Unfortunately a number of men coming to Gunasheela Fertility Centre even refuse a semen test with this assumption. There are instances where the man is able to produce semen but it does not contain any sperms. Azoospermia is a condition where there are no sperms in the ejaculated semen. There are two types - Obstructive Azoospermia and Non-Obstructive Azoospermia.

In Obstructive Azoospermia there will be normal sperm production in the testis but there is obstruction to the flow of sperms at various levels.

Dr. Devika Gunasheela

The blockage could be anywhere between the testis and the urethra (urine passage). Infection, injury or surgery (for hernia or hydrocele) of the genital tract may result in this condition. As a result there will be no sperms in the ejaculated semen. The blockage can be bypassed by surgery or sperms obtained using a fine needle directly from the testis. Sperms are retrieved in almost 100% of patients. These sperms can then be used for injecting the wife's eggs in a procedure called IVF – ICSI.

In Non-Obstructive Azoospermia there is a problem with production of sperms in the testis. The exact cause is not known in most of the cases but Radiation, Chemotherapy, Mumps infection in childhood, Hormonal deficiencies may result in this condition. A new procedure known as Micro dissection Testicular Sperm Extraction (Micro – TESE) is used to retrieve sperms so that these men can have their own biologic child. Using Micro-TESE sperms can be obtained in upto 60% of these patients.

The sperms obtained by either technique are used in a procedure called IVF-ICSI (test-tube baby). The pregnancy rate from this technique is similar to that achieved in IVF-ICSI using normally ejaculated sperms. Many patients have been treated this way successfully and we have had the first baby in the state with the Micro-TESE surgical procedure. Contact: Gunasheela Reproductive Centre, Kuvempunagar, Mysore. Contact: 0821 – 2343585 / 0821 – 2343385. Bangalore Centre: 080-41312600 / 080-26673585.

Advt.

Use only eco-friendly Ganesha idols: DC

Mysuru, Sept.7-Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar has stated that Gowri - Ganesha festivals should be celebrated with eco-friendly idols, as using toxic paints, Ganeshas made out of Plaster of Paris (PoP) and paper moulds will pollute water bodies once they are immersed in them.

He was addressing a press conference on ban of PoP and toxic chemicals idols here at his office on Tuesday and said chemicals are used in the manufacture of paper moulded Ganeshas. To stop this production, a team of officials will be formed, he added.

However, idols made out of these banned items will be brought from many other districts and to stop them entering, they will be checked at check posts.

Prior permission

To install Ganesha idols in public places permission must be taken from the Mysuru City Corporation and the Police Department. However, this time it is being relaxed and a single window system is being put in place, he informed the officers.

MCC is identifying lakes for the public to immerse the idols. There will also be provision of mobile tanks for immersion and if required more such tanks will be provided.

The idol sellers must not impinge on the traffic while selling the idols. The MCC and the local organisations must discuss with the manufacturers and identify the places for selling where it will not affect the traffic, he said.

Senior Environmental Officer G. Udaykumar, MUDA Planning Cell Director Lokanath, MCC Health Officer Dr. Nagaraju, Environment Officer Prakash and others were present.

Govt. bans PoP Ganeshas

Bengaluru, Sept.7 (KMS)-The Government has banned the installation and immersion of Plaster of Paris (PoP) Ganesha idols.

Even the manufacturing of PoP idols which pollute the rivers and lakes when they are immersed has been banned. In spite of this if there are such idols which are installed and then immersed, the Government will deny them permission, stated Forest and Environment Minister R. Shankar and Pollution Control Board Chairman Lakshman, here yesterday.

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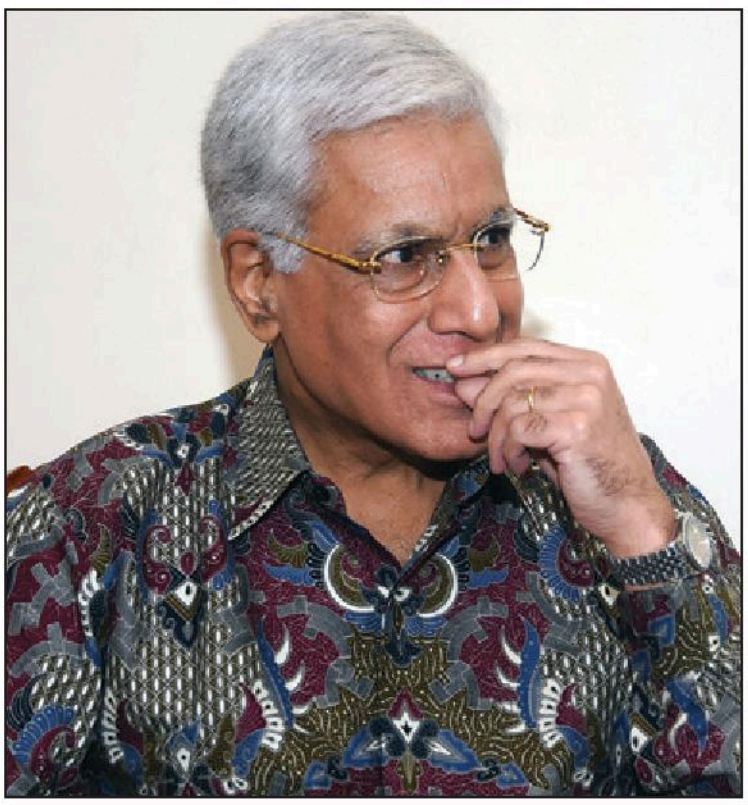
An exclusive interview with Ace TV Show host Karan Thapar

"I was lucky I had a wife who liked the adult and child in me"–1



Interviewing people is an art and especially on television one needs a lot of skill, intelligence, wit and presence of mind to interview celebrities and more so the politicians. Ace TV Show host Karan Thapar is one such outstanding interviewer who with his grim, dour appearance, raises the hackles of the interviewees to the extent that some of the most famous personalities have stormed out of his interviews.

However, when he was in Mysuru recently to launch his book *"Devil's Advocate — The Untold Story"* organised by Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust, Mysuru Book Clubs-2015 and HarperCollins India at the Wind Chimes, he was not the Devil that he makes himself out to be on TV but a charming, witty, innocent, finger-chewing person with an impish smile.

After a riveting one-and-half-hour conversation with MP Rajeev Gowda and signing the books, Karan Thapar sat with *Star of Mysore* Features Editor N. Niranjan Nikam for nearly half-an-hour and refreshingly opened up to the many pointed questions posed to him including his cheating with questions, his secret chaperoning of Pakistan High Commissioner to Deputy Prime Minister L.K. Advani's residence, the boycott of BJP and most importantly about his late wife Nisha Meneses, which leaves everyone with a lump in their throat. *Excerpts.* —Editor

By N. Niranjan Nikam

Star of Mysore (SOM): Reading the first 35 pages of your book** Devil's Advocate, **it looks like you had everything right, from the time you were born to General Pran Nath Thapar and Bimla Thapar to the time you got the first job with** The Times, **London. That is, you seem to have got everything on a platter which many envy or are even caustic about. How do you feel now when you look back?

Karan Thapar: It is just good luck I suppose. I was born to nice parents who were very loving and caring. This is not something I could claim credit for; this is something that God desires and not you. The environment I grew up in was one that my parents gave me as they were broad-minded, open and interesting. They gave me the opportunity to do all that I wanted to do; they never pushed me in any one direction, my parents were happy for me to do whatever I felt like doing.

SOM: After you joined** London Weekend Television (LWT), **you have admitted that you cheated the channel by writing in** The Times **the Benazir interview. As journalists we know that anything like this happens most often than not you are going to be sacked. But you got away by again writing about Aung San Suu Kyi. What is the lesson you have for the younger lot?

Karan Thapar: *(Laughs)* Well, if you are going to cheat make sure you are going to do it cleverly and you don't get caught. The danger is getting caught. I suppose all of us in our lives do a little bit of cheating and we always hope we will never be caught. And it is when you are caught you are embarrassed.

I almost got caught I think when I did the interview with Benazir because when everyone saw it the next day in *Times*, they realised where I was. However, the Aung San Suu Kyi interview didn't worry *LWT* so much because I don't think they were interested in her so much. It is always dangerous and risky to cheat on your employers.

SOM: What according to you is the difference between Print and Television interview?

Karan Thapar: The big difference between print and television is, on TV you are seeing the interview and, therefore, people judge not by just what is spoken but also by how people see, what they are wearing, what they are doing, the tone with which they are speaking. These are all non-verbal communication which matters enormously on television. But in print you only read it and you have no idea whether he was angry, whether he was smiling or laughing, what he was looking like. This dimension is missing in print. That I would say is the big difference.

SOM: There is this great photo of you sprawled on Benazir Bhutto's car in Cambridge and the headlines alongside of your romance with her, which you denied of course, when you were the Cambridge Union President as a 22-year-old. Would you share those moments with us briefly?

Karan Thapar: *(Smiles)* What happened was that when I was in the Cambridge Union someone or the other went and told the local newspaper, the *Cambridge Evening News* that Karan was dating Benazir. This was a bit of mischief done by someone and the local reporter who used to cover the Cambridge Union came and asked me, are you having a love affair with Pakistan Prime Minister's daughter, who also happens to be the President of the Oxford Union. I said no, it is complete rubbish. It is a cock and bull story. So, that was the basis of that report titled, ***"Union Head denies romance."*** However, it was a bit of early fake news.

SOM: Do journalists act as go-betweens, especially when it comes to two nations and that too India - Pakistan? For instance, you drive Pakistan High Commissioner Ashraf Jehangir Qazi to Deputy PM Advani's residence. You yourself being a television journalist, don't you think this could have raised hackles like it is happening now, over the clandestine meetings between leaders of two enemy nations?

Karan Thapar: Many, many times. Did I look upon it as non-journalistic or un-journalistic interlude? No, I had no moral qualms about what I was doing. I was aware that I was doing something which journalists don't get opportunities to do but I was doing it willingly, voluntarily with my eyes open and I did it because I felt at that point of time that anything that I could to contribute to the improvement of relations between the two countries is something that I ought to do, it is something that I welcome doing.

And when this opportunity came my way by accident, I happily did it. Ashraf was a good friend, I had known him for a long, long time; Mr. Advani in the process became a good friend and I was happy to bring them together, they got on very well with each other. And, of course, as you can see it gave me a great story to tell.

You must also know that I first introduced Ashraf to George Fernandes; George and Jaya Jaitley came over to my place two or three times for dinner. But when Ashraf realised that the matter needed to go through someone higher, George himself arranged the first meeting with Mr. Advani and told me 'you drive Ashraf to Mr. Advani's residence.'

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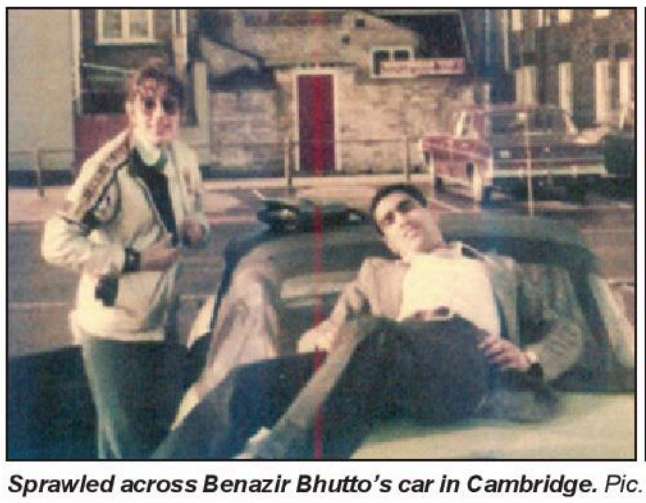

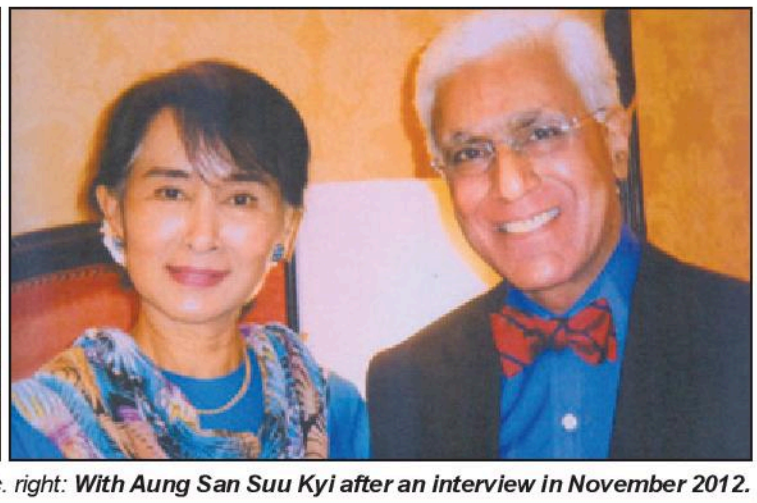

Sprawled across Benazir Bhutto's car in Cambridge. *Pic. right:* ***With Aung San Suu Kyi after an interview in November 2012.***

Flute recital at Raaga's Krishna Jayanti celebrations tomorrow

Come Shravana, the festive season is on and the festivities aren't complete without the music programmes. Raaga Music Academy is celebrating Sri Krishna Jayanti on Saturday the 8th, with Vid. Krishna Pawan Kumar giving a flute recital from 6pm to 8pm at Prajna Kuteera, Vishwamanava Double Road, Kuvempunagar.

Vid. Krishna Pawan Kumar

Pawan Kumar is a rare artiste who is a practitioner/performer of three streams of music — vocal and two instruments, flute and the mridanga. He has managed all these along with his academics with great distinction. He took his initial lessons from his grandmother Vidu. U. Sathyavathi, Vid. K.H. Ravikumar (mridanga) and Vid. Gopalakrishna Iyer (flute). A prodigy, he learnt the intricacies of music with much ease from a very tender age. The Government of Karnataka gave him scholarships for both flute and mridanga in recognition of his talent.

This multidimensional artiste has won many accolades and awards like the Exceptional Talent Award and the Bala Prathibhe from the Government of Karnataka, Young Achiever award from the Rotary International, Kalashree etc. Various musicologists have hailed his talent. On Saturday, he is being accompanied by **Vid. Mysore Sumanth Manjunath** on the violin and **Vid. Sai Shivu Lakshmi Keshav** on the mridanga.

Prior to this concert, students of Vidu. Koviladi Kala will be singing in groups, as the Mahapuja goes on between 5 pm and 6 pm.

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—Veena Arun Kumar

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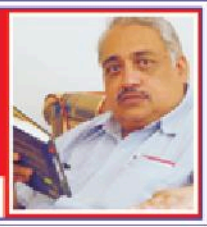
Over a cup of evening Tea



By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

A Strange Coincidence!

A priceless, richly ornamented, solid gold Tiffin Carrier along with its accompanying cup, saucer and spoon, all of them inlaid with precious stones like rubies and diamonds, were reportedly stolen on the night of last Sunday from the Nizam's Museum at Hyderabad. Their total weight is about two kilograms and their present value in the antiques market is estimated to be a whopping fifty crore rupees!

It was a strange coincidence that my wife and I happened to visit this museum on Sunday morning, barely a few hours before the heist took place. We were in Hyderabad for three days as I was participating in the annual conference of the Diabetic Foot Society of India which was being held at the Park Hyatt Hotel there. **Since this not-so-well-known museum did not have any other visitors when we were there, despite it being a Sunday, we were perhaps the last few people to have seen these precious artefacts and will remain so unless they are recovered intact and are once again put back on public display!**

There is every possibility of them being quickly melted down for their bare gold value if the theft happens to be the handiwork of a petty thief. And if an international cartel of art thieves happens to be behind it, there is the likelihood of these objects being carted away across our shores to land clandestinely and at great profit, into the hands of some private collectors who have no qualms about buying stolen stuff to quench their vanity. The possibility of them turning up in some international auction houses like Sotheby's or Christie's is very unlikely as firms like these do not accept and put up for sale articles that are clearly known to have been stolen. Although it has happened quite often in the past, they do not do it any longer!

The Nizam's Museum is managed and maintained by a private trust established by the Nizam's family members and it was inaugurated in the year 2000 by the then Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu in the presence of the seventh Nizam's eldest daughter-in-law

Princess Durru Shehwar and grandson Prince Muffakham Jah. This museum was established to mark the silver jubilee of the coronation of Mir Osman Ali Khan, the seventh Nizam of Hyderabad, who passed away in February 1967. He was the last official Nizam who stepped down from his post of ruler when the Royal State of Hyderabad was merged with the Indian Union on 17th September, 1948.

It is a different matter that the Nizam's family has privately anointed and installed Mir Osman Ali Khan's eldest grandson Mir Barkat Ali Khan, also known as Mukarram Jah who now lives in Australia, as the eighth Nizam in a personal bid to perpetuate their once royal lineage. This is very much like how we have here, the tradition of the private coronation of members of the Wadiyar dynasty, by their family members to maintain the continuation of their royal lineage!

The Nizam's museum depicts a pictorial history of the **Asaf Jahi Dynasty,** which ruled the erstwhile State of Hyderabad for over two centuries ever since the first Nizam took over as the de facto ruler soon after the death of Emperor Aurangzeb in the year 1707. Very surprisingly, it is housed in a very rickety more than two century old colonial style structure acquired from its former owner Ruknudaulah by the second Nizam Asaf Jah II and later renovated as a residence for his then young heir apparent. Most visitors to Hyderabad give it a go by in favour of the more famous **Salar Jung** and **Chowmahalla Palace Museums,** but this too is certainly worth a visit if you are interested not just in collected memorabilia but in history too.

Interestingly, one of its wings houses the largest walk-in wardrobe in the world! It is made of Burma Teak and is a full 238 feet long with dressing cubicles between every two shelves with a second story of shelves that were meant for the Nizam's footwear!

Its owner Fateh Jung Mahbub Ali Khan, the sixth Nizam was known for his love for clothes and was rumoured to have never worn the same dress or the same shoes twice! This museum has some gold and silver objects on display whose material value itself is very high not taking into account their historical worth. These include gold and silver replicas of almost every public building, bridge and dam that now stands on what was once the Nizam's domain. Also included are the solid gold trowels, mortar bowls and scissors that the Nizams used to lay their foundation stones or inaugurate them when completed.

As my wife and I walked out of the rather ramshackle and almost crumbling more than two century old building, we remarked to each other that objects like these should have been housed amid much greater safety and security where they can be better protected. That was also when I said, as we got into the car, that if someone decided to steal them, it would be a very simple job to just break in through a ventilator and walk away with all the precious objects which had been displayed in ordinary glass showcases without any kind of a protective barrier.

And, that is exactly what happened just a few hours later as we reached our home late that night and sat chatting with our children about the Nizam's magnificent gold tiffin carrier that we had seen at the Museum!

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By Satish Acharya

'Accident death rates climbing in country'

Joint Transport Commissioner inaugurates Maha Loan Mela

Joint Transport Commissioner Dr. C. T. Murthy inaugurating the two-day 2-Wheeler to 20-Wheeler Maha Loan Mela, organised by Mahindra and Mahindra Financial Services at the JK Grounds in city this morning as others look on.

Mysuru, Sept.7 (MTY&NNN)- The number of road accidents causing deaths and injuries is going up daily and every year our country is losing more than Rs.100 crore, said Joint Transport Commissioner Dr. C. T. Murthy.

He was speaking after inaugurating the two-day Maha Loan Mela, organised by Mahindra and Mahindra Financial Services at JK Grounds this morning and said that nearly 1.5 lakh people are dying in the country every year and four to five lakh are becoming handicapped due to accidents.

Now-a-days it is common to find an accident victim in almost every house as they fail to follow road rules. It is also due to rash and negligent driving that fatal accidents occur, he said.

However, vehicles manufactured by Mahindra company have both road and passenger safety features using technology which other vehicle manufacturers also need to emulate, he said.

Apart from this, Mahindra and Mahindra, as part of its CSR, conducts road safety workshops for public and also creates awareness among customers when they come to purchase vehicles about safe driving, following road rules and how death and accidents can be prevented by safe driving, said Dr. Murthy and added, if others are interested in conducting such drives, the RTO would also be a part of it.

There are 21 stalls displaying various brands of Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) that include M&M, Maruti, Toyota, Hyundai, Tata Motors, Renault, Nissan, Mahindra & Mahindra Swaraj Tractors and Honda two-wheelers. India Garage, Akshara Motors, Prerana Motors, GMMCO, Urs Kar, Friendly Motors and others are also participating. So far 93 people have registered for loans to purchase vehicles. Zero interest loans are also available with minimum documentation and processing fees on select vehicles.

Mahindra Finance Department Head Madhusudhan Reddy, Circle Head Girish Rodrigues and others were present at the Mela which also is holding a free health and eye check up camp at the grounds.

We are aged but our strength is not diminished: Elders

Senior citizens take part in District-level sports competitions, win prizes

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (RKB&KS) - "We are aged, but our strength and stamina is not diminished," said senior citizens, who took part in the District-level Senior Citizens Sports competition, organised jointly by the Department for Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens and Mysuru District Senior Citizens Welfare Association as part of Senior Citizens' Day celebration at J.K. Grounds in city yesterday.

The sports competition was organised for senior citizens aged between 60 and 85 years who took part in fast walking race, running race, shot-put and throwing the cricket ball.

Participants, who bagged the first place in various sports are now eligible to take part in the State-level Senior Citizens sports competitions.

The winners of various competitions are: Men 60 to 70 years category: 100 mts. running race – B.K. Somashekar (First), C.S. Madaiah (Second) and Ganesh Shetty (Third). Shot-Put - A.B. Subbaiah (First), C.S. Madaiah (Second) and K.C. Somashekar (Third).

Men 71 to 80 years category: 75 mts. running race – K. Govindaiah (First), M.R. Srinivas (Second) and A.B. Nanjappa (Third). Shot-Put – A.B. Nanjappa (First), M.B. Aiyappa (Second) and M.B. Ankegowda (Third).

Men 80 years and above: 200 mts. walk – C. Chamashetty (First), P.S. Subbarayappa (Second) and N. Veeraiah (Third). Throwing the cricket ball – N. Veeraiah (First), N. Ramaiah (Second) and C. Chamashetty (Third).

Women 60 to 70 years: 400 mts. walk – B.C. Parvathi (First), K.S. Ramamani (Second) and K.S. Lakshmi (Third). Throwing cricket ball – Dr. B. Nirmala (First), B.C. Parvathi (Second) and N.K. Rukmini (Third).

Women 71 to 80 years: 200 mts. walk – Manonmani (First), K.S. Seethamma (Second) and Bharati S. Kamat (Third). Throwing the cricket ball – Bharati S. Kamat (First), M.K. Kaamini (Second) and S. Padma (Third).

Women 80 years and above: 100 mts. walk and Throwing cricket ball – Latha Sharma bagged the first prize as she was the lone participant in the category.

Over 100 men and 60 women took part in the competitions which was inaugurated by Women and Child Welfare Deputy Director K. Radha.

Hinkal flyover to open before Dasara

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The works on the flyover began on April 27, 2016 (formal commencing date June 22, 2016) and its total length including the ramp on both sides, is 510 metres. The width of the flyover is 17.20 metres. It begins from Hinkal Tent till Grand Maurya Hotel.

After the works began, it took more than six months to shift water pipelines that criss-crossed area and this delayed the project considerably, Satish maintained. The main carriageway of the flyover is 7.50 metres and the flyover will have 6 metre-wide service roads on either sides. It also has a footpath of two metres. The flyover will be a 4-lane road with piers supporting it.

Originally, a four-grade separator project at a total cost of Rs. 66.62 crore was planned — Outer Ring Road (ORR) junction on Bengaluru-Mysuru Road near Columbia Asia Hospital; Mysuru-KRS Road ORR junction near Hotel Royal Inn; Mysuru-Hunsur Road ORR junction in Hinkal and at Mysuru-Nanjangud Road JSS College Junction near Yelethota.

However, out of the four grade separators, only the Hunsur Road flyover (earlier grade separator) will be a reality.

The flyover that was proposed at KRS Road Junction faced a technical snag as the road descends too close to the Mysuru-Hassan Railway track and hence has to be realigned or dropped.

The grade separator that was planned on Bengaluru-Mysuru Highway near Columbia Asia Hospital was also dropped as the State Government has planned to widen the existing 6-lane road. Likewise, the grade separator on Mysuru-Nanjangud Road was dropped as there is a dispute over the land that belonged to the erstwhile Maharajas.

Once the flyover is open, traffic can also move towards KRS (Brindavan Gardens) via BEML.

Cops chase cop to get quarters vacated

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As Prasanna Kumar refused to vacate the house, an eviction order was issued on 4.12.2017 under clause 30 (2) of the Karnataka Police Act 1963. In spite of this, Prasanna Kumar refused to move out of the house.

In the latest order (27.8.2018) issued by Deputy Commissioner of Police (Crime and Traffic) Dr. Vikram V. Amathe, who is also the Estate Officer for all Police properties in Mysuru, has issued a deadline and has directed the Vijayanagar Police Inspector to forcibly evict the dismissed cop from the quarters in case it is not vacated.

The Inspector has been asked to follow the procedure as mentioned in the Police Act and submit an action-taken report in that regard.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subramanyeswara Rao said that as the Estate Officer, DCP Vikram Amathe has followed the procedures and has issued a deadline.

"Prasanna Kumar has refused to vacate the house despite several notices and reminders. He must vacate the house immediately. If the Constable refuses to move out, the Vijayanagar Police will forcibly vacate the house," he added.

AGM of Retired Police Officers Assn.

Mysuru, Sept.7 (RSB)- The 18th Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Retired Police Officers Association, Nazarbad, will be held on Sept.8 (tomorrow) at 10 am at Police Bhavan, Lalitha Mahal Road in city.

K.V. Sharath Chandra, IGP, Southern Range, will inaugurate. Vipul Kumar, Director, Karnataka Police Academy (KPA), Mysuru, Dr. A. Subrahmanyeswara Rao, City Police Commissioner and Dharmendra Kumar Meena, Superintendent of Police (SP), Chamarajanagar, will be the chief guests.

The Association members from Chamarajanagar and Mysuru will be present. For details, contact Mob: 99007-45246, according to a press release.

University sweepers' stir enters fourth day

Mysuru, Sept.7(RKB&D-M)-The indefinite stir launched by sweepers and other civic workers of University of Mysore (UoM) near Kuvempu statue in Manasagangotri campus, urging for fulfilment of their various demands, entered the fourth day today.

The protestors, claiming that they are working in the University campus for over 14 years, demanded regularisation of services, minimum wages and statutory benefits such as ESI, PF etc., among others.

Yesterday, UoM acting VC Prof. T.K. Umesh and Registrar Prof.Rajanna visited the protestors and reportedly held a meeting with the workers union. But as the meeting was unfruitful, the protestors continued with their indefinite stir for the fourth day today.

Thathaiah award for journalist Eshwar Daitota

Eshwar Daitota

Mysuru, Sept.7- Senior Journalist Eshwar Daitota will be conferred the prestigious Thathaiah (M.Venkatakrishnaiah) award (2018) at a programme to take place at M. Venkatakrishnaiah Hall in Sarada Vilas Law College premises, Krishnamurhtypuram in the city tomorrow (Sept.8). Eshwar Daitota has worked for several newspapers and has 75 works to his credit.

Rider sees leopard; falls from bike at Srirangapatna

Mandya, Sept. 7 (Nagaiah& KS) - A youth, riding his bike to his village suffered injuries after he fell from the vehicle when a leopard came suddenly onto the road near T.M. Hosur in Srirangapatna taluk last night.

The injured youth is Mahesh, a resident of Kaalenahalli village.

Mahesh was proceeding to his village when a leopard suddenly appeared in front of his bike. Terrified, Mahesh lost control and fell. He sustained injuries.

Meanwhile, some people who came on the same route took Mahesh to Srirangapatna Hospital.

It may be recalled that leopards are being sighted frequently by the villagers and recently a pet dog was killed and partially devoured by a leopard.

Meanwhile, the staff of the Forest Department rushed to the spot and inspected the place.

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Bijapur Bulls crush Bengaluru Blasters to clinch KPL 2018 title

The jubilant Bijapur Bulls boys after winning the Karnataka Premier League - 2018 Trophy in city last evening.

Mysuru, Sept.7 (SV)- In yet another collective team effort, Bijapur Bulls crushed Bengaluru Blasters by 7 wickets to win the Karnataka Premier League (KPL) 2018 title in the finals held at the SDNR Wadiyar Stadium in city yesterday.

Earlier, Bijapur Bulls won the toss and put the Blasters into bat. It was another formidable effort by the bowlers of Bijapur Bulls as they strangled the opposition. Bharath Chipli made a superb dive to his left and made a brilliant run out in the very first over as C.J. William was short of his crease at the non strikers end. M.G. Naveen (2 for 19) with his constant line of bowling got the prized wicket of Robin Uthappa. The introduction of the spin trio K.P. Appanna (3 for 16), K.C. Cariappa (1 for 13) and Suneel Raju (0 for 14 in 3 overs) hurt the scoring rate of the Blasters immensely. With wickets falling regularly, the Blasters never looked in command of the game. **They were dismissed for a paltry total of 101 all out in 20 overs. This was the lowest total of this season.**

In reply, Bijapur Bulls, Openers M.G. Naveen (43) and Bharath Chipli (19) gave an aggressive start to the run chase. Their 47-run opening stand in 6.3 overs set up the tone for the chase. M.G. Naveen 43 (31b,5x4,2x6) carried his prime form from the previous day (Semi-final Vs Hubli Tigers) and seemed to bat with ease in the finals. He had reserved his best for the most vital games. K.N. Bharath gave the midas touch to the finale as he hit the final nail in the coffin and smashed 21 runs off 7 deliveries to seal the game in style. The Bijapur Bulls scored 106 for 3 in 20 overs with more than 6 overs to spare. The Bijapur Bulls never let the Blasters take control of the game and won its second KPL title (they also won the KPL title in 2015). **They also become the first team to win the KPL title twice.**

Bengaluru Blasters, who were undefeated throughout this season, succumbed in the finals to the grit and determination of the Bijapur Bulls. **M.G. Naveen was adjudged the Man of the Match.**

The presentation ceremony of this grand event consisted of several dignitaries and the Royal Highness Pramoda Devi Wadiyar.

Bharath Chipli, who has scored 254 runs this tournament, was awarded the **Man of the Series** and also the **Best Batsman** of the tournament.

Mahesh Patel from Hubli Tigers was awarded the **Best Bowler** of the tournament. **Stuart Binny** was given the **Catch of the Tournament** award for his brilliant catch against Bellary Tuskers to dismiss T. Pradeep, where Binny ran from deep mid wicket to his left and snatched the ball which seemed to sail over the ropes with a perfect lunge. Mysuru Warriors received the Fair Play Award.

SCORE: Bengaluru Blasters: 101 all out in 20 overs (K.P. Appanna 3 for 16, Bhavesh Gulecha 2 for 14, M.G. Naveen 2 for 19) lost to **Bijapur Bulls:** 106 for 3 in 13.5 overs (M.G. Naveen 43).

Man of the Match: M.G. Naveen

Man of the Series: Bharath Chipli

Pramoda Devi Wadiyar** (pic. left) **and** Star of Mysore **Managing Editor Vikram Muthanna presenting the KPL Trophy and 'Man of the Series' cheque to Bijapur Bulls captain Bharath Chipli.

A Grand Closing Ceremony was held just before the toss of the final encounter between Bengaluru Blasters and Bijapur Bulls.

The Game of Bridge is Here

By U. B. Acharya

Contrary to public perception, **Contract Bridge,** which is a trick-taking game using a standard 52-card deck, is **not gambling** but a game of concentration, memory, communication and simple logical thinking. It is one of the most popular card games played by millions of people of both genders world over and of all age groups but particularly more popular among the seniors.

Some of the best known personalities who played contract bridge with extremely high skill are the famous Hollywood actor Omar Sharif, Software Mogul Bill Gates, Billionaire Warren Buffet, Justice Stephen Breyer, Wall Street magnate Alan Greenberg among others.

Duplicate Bridge: Like in any other card game, there is an element of luck in Rubber Bridge. This aspect is completely eliminated in Duplicate Bridge where a team consists of four players. While two sit as N-S in one table, their partners sit as E-W in another room playing the same cards not knowing the results of how their partners had played. The objective here is to maximise the combined score of the team. The scoring system is slightly different and will not be discussed here.

Mysore District Bridge Association (MDBA) conducts Bridge on the 3rd Sunday of every month. Interested new-comers as well as seasoned players are welcome to become members of MDBA and participate in these tournaments. Interested persons may contact the Hon. Secretary of MDBA on Mob: 94483-90898 or the author on Mob: 99721- 24527.

National Bridge Championship and quotations by famous personalities

The first mega "Inter-State National Bridge Championship-2018" is currently being held in city at Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club (JWGC) under the auspices of Karnataka State Bridge Association (KSBA), Bengaluru and Mysore District Bridge Association (MDBA). About 250 bridge players from different States are participating in various events. The meet concludes on Sept. 9. Here are some quotations on Bridge by famous personalities:

Jill Meyers, *17-time US National Champion and also six times World Champion says, "There is something sexy about the game. Everybody thinks it is a bunch of old people eating cheese sandwiches but it is a great game for very intelligent and competitive people. I think they lose themselves in it." Meyers is a well-known Attorney and also has a music industry in Los Angeles, USA.*

Warren Buffett, *an American business magnate, has described the game as "such a sensational game that I wouldn't mind being in jail if I had three cellmates who were decent players and who were willing to keep the game going for 24 hours a day." He goes on to say, "It is a card game and to excel one needs not just strong math but creativity, stamina and cut throat streak."*

Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, *the Philosopher-Statesman, who was also the President of India, wisely sees a parallel between our life and the game of Bridge. He says:*

"Life is like a game of bridge... we did not invent the game or design the cards; we did not frame the rules and we cannot control the dealing. The cards are dealt out to us whether they be good or bad... but we can play the game well or play it badly.

A skilful player may have a poor hand and yet win the game.

A bad player may have a good hand and yet make a mess of it.

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Lucky Bid: City lad buys limited edition Royal Enfield Classic 500 Pegasus

Only 1,000 bikes manufactured

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (KS) - The limited edition of Royal Enfield Classic 500 Pegasus, was delivered to a young hotelier at a function organised at Aadith Motors on Hunsur Road here recently.

Nikhil Jain, proprietor of Manvar Restaurant at V.V. Mohalla and a resident of Chamundipuram, was the lucky person who got the bike.

He said: "I always wanted to buy a unique bike and came to know about the auction and on July 25th, I tried my luck. I bid for Rs. 2.62 lakh and now I have an offer for Rs. 5.2 lakh for the bike from a Enfield enthusiast who was unsuccessful in the bidding."

Vijay Kumar, CEO of Aadith Motors, said that Royal Enfield had manufactured only 1,000 limited edition to be sold worldwide and added that only 250 bikes were put up for sale online in India. He further said that the online bidding began on July 25 at 4 pm and the entire 250 bikes were sold out in just three minutes.

The Classic Pegasus is a tribute to the legacy of making Royal Enfield's long-standing motto 'Made like a gun since 1901' and added that the Classic Pegasus edition was inspired by Royal Enfield's famous World War II motorcycle, 'Flying Flea.'The Classic 500 Pegasus is available only in Service Brown colour and is powered by a 498cc engine.

The bike has a Pegasus insignia on the tank and stencilled serial number on the tank which shows the manufacturing number.

Nikhil received the 95th limited edition bike of the total 1,000 bikes which were manufactured.

A day to remember your Newspaper Boy

Hunsur, Sept. 7 (Raghu& BCT)- Newspaper reading is a habit. But when you do not find a regular newspaper in your hands at the regular reading time, it causes anxiety, then desperation and finally frustration. Angry calls are made to the newspaper distributor/ agent and even to the newspaper office asking why the favourite newspaper was not delivered. Calmness sets in only when the newspaper boy zooms on his bicycle and swings a newspaper roll darting towards the house.

The responsibility for getting the newspaper from the press to the reader falls to the distribution division and delivery boys and agents always dutifully patrol the roads shooting the newspapers at the destined places – balconies, gates, main doors and even lawns.

Rain or shine, windy or pleasant, the newspaper boy is always there to deliver the paper that enables to gather your daily dose of news and articles. And to recall this daily act of theirs, Newspaper Distributors' Day is observed every year on Sept. 4. Unfortunately many people (including journalists) have forgotten that there is such a day called Newspaper Distributors' Day.

Though the reading habits in many western nations (and in metros of India) have changed, thanks to Internet and dirt-cheap data, most Indians still depend on newspapers for updates around them. The reason behind this could be that Indians are accustomed to reading tabloids and broadsheets by holding them in their hands instead of browsing or swiping their phone or tablet screens.

Distribution network is critical for any newspaper and there are many instances where newspaper offices, including journalism giants, have shut shop due to lack of proper distribution network. According to research, there are over 5 lakh newspapers distributors in India and in Karnataka, there are over 40,000.

Among the distributors and newspaper boys, the population of school children and the youth is very high. Agents depend on these boys as they can swiftly deliver the newspaper to houses in their bicycles, the moment newspapers reach vantage points across a city or a town. These youth and school children take care of their families and education out of the money or commission that they earn from door-to-door delivery of newspapers.

A newspaper delivery boy's responsibility starts from the point he picks up the newspaper and ends at the house of a tail-end customer of a particular area who is a reader. And after hours of hard work, these youths or school children get on to other work, including going to school. During rainy season, the boys have to start extra-early and wear a raincoat. They meet in some shop basement and cover the newspapers with plastic before taking them for delivery.

Many more paragraphs can be written on the newspaper distribution and the boys associated with it. What is important is to remember their contribution towards the society. There is an urgent need to think about their welfare, at least on the occasion of Newspaper Distributors' Day.

Scholarship for student philatelists

Mysuru, Sept.7 (US)- The Postal Department under the 'Deenadayal Sparsh' scheme is offering scholarship for promotion of aptitude and research in stamps as a hobby among children.

Students studying from 6th to 9th standard and who have scored 60% during 2017-18 and having a Philately Deposit Account or membership with Stamp Collectors Forum or interested in continuing stamp collection as a hobby are eligible for the scholarship of Rs. 6,000 per annum.

The students will be selected through a written quiz contest. The selected students should successfully complete a project assigned by the Postal Department.

The last date to obtain the application form for the quiz contest is Sept.15. For more details, visit the department websites. www.indiapost.gov.in or www.karnatakapost.gov.in.

Book 'Mooru Ranga Roopantharagalu' by B.R. Lakshmanrao released

Mysuru, Sept.7 (US&MK)- Talukina Venkannaiah Smaraka Grantamale and Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota together had organised a function at Maneyangala in Kalamandira premises here recently for the release of the book '*Mooru Ranga Roopantharagalu*' written by B.R.Lakshmanrao.

Releasing the book, retired English Professor of Mysore University Dr.D.A. Shankar opined that translation and adaptation should be done appropriately keeping the core theme intact and should provide additional information to draw the attention of the readers. He further said that translations should blend with todays cultural scenario and the writer should introspect at every stage.

Speaking on the occasion, former Rangayana Director H. Janardhan observed that when urbanisation was pushing mankind into a concrete jungle, books with valuable translations would indeed be very refreshing for the stressed mind. Referring to the book of Lakshmanrao he complimented the author in excellently portraying how undue and irrational suspicion could harm a person.

Kadamba Ranga Vedike President Rajashekar Kadamba, Writer B.R. Lakshmanrao, Publisher T.S. Chayapathi, Kalakoota President M. Chandrashekar and others were present.

Running race competition for students on Sept. 9

Mysuru, Sept.7- As part of its sixth anniversary, the Palace Sports Club, Kuvempunagar, will be conducting a running race competition for Higher Primary and High School students (Boys and Girls) on Sept. 9.

The race will commence from Ramakrishnanagar Circle at 7.30 am. While the race distance for Higher Primary School students is 2 km, for High School students it will be 4 km. Entry is free.

For details, call Mob: 91649-97757 or 98446-00460, according to a press release.

Scholarship for SC candidates

Mysuru, Sept.7-Department of Social Welfare has invited applications from Scheduled Caste (SC) candidates for receiving pre-matric scholarship. For more details, call Ph: 08221-227876.

No power tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept.7 (RSB)- Due to emergency maintenance works of 66/11 KV FTS distribution centre, power supply will be disrupted tomorrow (Sept.8) between 10 am and 6 pm in the following areas:

Ashoka Road, Lashkar Mohalla, Tilaknagar, Kailaspuram, Mission Hospital, Gandhi Square, Old Bank Road, K.T. Street, Dodda Vokkaliga Street, Irwin Road, Sayyaji Rao Road, Olympia Theatre, Pulikeshi Road, New Sayyaji Rao Road, Mandi Mohalla, Rajkamal Theatre and surrounding areas; Shivarampet, K.R. Hospital, Boti Bazaar Market, Dhanvantri Road, Shivaji Road, Kesare, N.R. Mohalla, Subhash Nagar, Rajendra Nagar, Gandhi Nagar, Eranagere, Bamboo Bazar, Siddalingapura Gram Panchayat, Belavatha, Seshadri Iyer Road, Akbar Road, Kabir Road, B.N. Road, Garadikere, Prabha Theatre, Seebaiah Road, Cheluvamba Hospital, Narayana Shastry Road and surrounding areas.

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Two-day Intl. Workshop at AIISH

Prof. Rainer Martin

Prof. Kris Demuynck

Mysuru, Sept. 7- An International Workshop on Speech Processing for Voice, Speech and Hearing Disorders (WSPD-2018), a satellite event of Interspeech 2018, will be held on Sept. 8 and 9 at All India Institute of Speech And Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru.

The workshop will be attended by 50 plus experienced researchers (representing 12 different Nations) working in the speech, language and hearing disorders and speech processing areas. There will be six invited talks, four sessions of oral presentations and one poster session.

Prof. Rainer Martin from Ruhr-University, Bochum, Germany and Prof. Kris Demuynck from Data Science Lab, Ghent University, Belgium, would be the keynote speakers.

Prof. Martin's talk would be on "Speech and Music Enhancement for Hearing Impaired Listeners" while Prof. Kris would speak on "ASISTO - an e-health tool for training and evaluating pathological speakers."

Dr. Harinath Garudadri (UC San Diego's Qualcomm Institute, California) and Prof. S.R. Mahadeva Prasanna (IIT, Guwahati) would be the other invited speakers. Dr. M. Pushpavathi and Dr. N. Sreedevi from AIISH will also deliver talks.

Prof. Ajish K Abraham, the Coordinator of the workshop said that thirty-one research papers will be presented in the workshop covering speech processing for voice disorders, hearing disorders and speech and language disorders.

The inaugural function of the workshop is scheduled at 9.30 am at Seminar Hall, Knowledge Park of the Institute, tomorrow. Dr. S.R. Savithri, Director, AIISH will preside.

Symposium on Cryptocurrency at BPBIM on Saturday

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (KS)- A day-long symposium on 'Cryptocurrency – a new paradigm of economy?' organised by Bhavan's Priyamvada Birla Institute of Management (BPBIM), Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Mysuru and Southern Economist, will be held tomorrow at its premises in Vijayanagar 1st Stage.

The symposium will be inaugurated at 10 am followed by three sessions. The valedictory will be held at 3.30 pm. The objective of the symposium is to briefly understand the various facets of this currency movement which is bound to affect the economic environment like what internet is doing to our lives.

About Cryptocurrency: Cryptocurrency is a type of digital or virtual currency that doesn't need to exist in a physical form to have value. Of late, cryptocurrencies have become extremely popular due to their decentralised exchange system between peers, making it essential for everyone to stay up to date with latest cryptocurrency news.

Musical evening

Mysuru, Sept. 7- In aid of Kodagu flood victims, the city's Ninad Musical Trust will be conducting a musical nite 'Kodagigagi Nimma Koduge' at Platinum Jubilee Hall, JK grounds at 5.30 pm this evening.

The proceedings of the musical nite will be donated to the CM's Kodagu Relief Fund. Noted actor Neenasam Satish will inaugurate. Rotary Heritage Mysuru's Zonal Lieutenant K. Manjunath will preside.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the 72nd Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company will be held on **Friday, 28th September, 2018 at 11.30AM** at the Registered Office of the Company to transact the following business:

ORDINARY BUSINESS: 1) To discuss, approve and adopt the Audited Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2018, Profit and Loss Statement for the year ended 31st March 2018 and the Cash Flow Statement, along with the Schedules and Notes attached thereto together with the reports of the Board of Directors and Auditors thereon. **2)** To declare Dividend on Equity Shares for the Financial Year ended on 31st March 2018. **3)** To appoint a Director in place of Smt. L. Rajeshwari (Holding DIN-02559992) who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for reappointment. **4)** To fix the remuneration payable to the Statutory Auditors of the Company.

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Step-by-step: Jumbo training begins

The first batch of Dasara Elephants led by Howdah Elephant Arjuna taking part in the training on Jumboo Savari route this morning. Picture right shows Rangaraju kicking off a sharp object preventing the elephant from stepping on it and injuring itself.

Mysuru, Sept. 7 (MTY&KS) - Led by mighty Arjuna, the Golden Howdah-carrying elephant, the first batch of six elephants began their training this morning to acclimatise themselves to roads and traffic on the Jumboo Savari route.

The first batch of elephants which arrived in Mysuru on Sept. 2, were housed at Aranya Bhavan in Ashokapuram before they were welcomed into the Mysore Palace on Sept. 5. The elephants underwent weight checking yesterday and the training sessions commenced from today.

The six elephants — Arjuna, Varalakshmi, Dhananjaya, Vikrama and Gopi — came out of the Balarama Gate (North Gate) of the Palace at about 7.15 am and walked majestically via K.R. Circle, Sayyaji Rao Road, Government Ayurveda Hospital Circle, Old RMC Circle, Bamboo Bazaar, Moulana Abul Kalam Circle (Highway Circle) and reached the Torchlight Parade Grounds in Bannimantap at about 8.30 am.

During the march, a small break of about three minutes was given to the elephants. At Old RMC Circle, Mahouts, Kavadis and others accompanying the elephants had tea for 5 minutes and proceeded further.

Upon reaching the Torchlight Parade Grounds, Mahouts, Kavadis and others were provided breakfast while the elephants quenched their thirst at the temporary pond made for them there. They were also fed with food which was brought in a vehicle that accompanied the elephants.

During the march, one Police Jeep in the front and one in the rear provided security to the elephants. While motorists gave way, pedestrians and passers-by were seen clicking photographs on their mobile phones.

In the absence of magnetic roller which is used to remove nails and other sharp metal objects on the Jumboo Savari route, Rangaraju, Assistant to the Veterinarian, moved in front of the elephants scanning and removing sharp metal objects.

Meanwhile, Veterinarian Dr. Nagaraj speaking to *Star of Mysore* said that as the magnetic roller was kept unused after last year's Jumboo Savari, the magnetic power of the roller had reduced. It will be charged and put to use in two days.

He further said that the elephants will undergo weight training in four days and will be made to carry sand bags on their backs.

A pond constructed near the Torchlight Parade Ground for the elephants to quench their thirst.

Range Forest Officer Ananya Kumar, Guard Kumar, staff Akram and others accompanied the elephants.

Organisations stage protest against rising fuel prices

Mysuru, Sept.7 (RKB&DM)- Strongly condemning the inaction of the Union Government in controlling rising fuel prices, members of various organisations staged demonstrations in city yesterday.

Activists of Karnataka Sena Pade staged a demonstration at Mahatma Gandhi's bust opposite the city Law Courts complex.

Claiming that the common man is hit hard by rising prices of petrol, diesel and LPG, the protestors maintained that the rising prices will have a cascading effect on the prices of other essential commodities and public transport service.

They urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi to bring down fuel prices and rescue common man.

Vedike President Tejesh Lokesh Gowda, P. Prajesh, R. Shanthamurthi and others took part.

In another protest, members of Mysuru Kannada Vedike staged a unique demonstration by carrying a motorcycle on a pushcart at Agrahara Circle.

Maintaining that the rising fuel prices had badly hit the agrarian community, the protestors urged the Centre to bring down prices at the earliest.

Vedike president S. Balakrishna, office-bearers Nalabeedi Ravi, Siddegowda, Babu and others took part.

BSP to stage protest on Sept.10

Even as the Congress has called for a nationwide bandh on Sept.10 in protest against rising fuel prices, the Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) will stage a demonstration in front of the DC's office here on Sep.10 against rising fuel prices and atrocities against dalit women in Gujarat, according to BSP District leader Prabhuswamy.

Congress calls for 'Bharath Bandh' on Sept.10

New Delhi, Sept.7- Congress has called for a Bharath Bandh on Sept.10 in protest against rising prices of petrol, diesel and LPG.

Accusing the NDA Government headed by Prime Minister Modi of doing little to control the rising fuel prices, party spokesperson Randeep Surjewala said the Congress has been forced to call a bandh in the interest of the people.

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Ranam (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Teevandi (Ma)	(S-3)	10.45 am
Ayogya (K)	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Pathibeku.com (K)	(S-3)	1.40 pm
Paltan (H)	(S-3)	6.55 pm
	(S-4)	9.55 pm
Manu (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Sarkari Hiriya Prathamika Shale (K)	(S-2)	4.15 pm
	(S-4)	10.05 am, 7.05 pm
Imaikka Nodigal (Ta)	(S-4)	1.00 pm
C/o Kancharapalem (Te)	(S-4)	4.10 pm

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The Nun (E)	(S-2)	9.50 am, 12.10 pm, 2.30 pm, 7.20 pm, 9.40 pm
Paltan (H)	(S-3)	9.50 am, 3.50 pm, 9.50 pm
Laila Majnu (H)	(S-4)	9.55 am, 7.00 pm
Sarkari Hiriya Prathamika Shale (K)	(S-4)	12.50 pm, 3.55 pm
Stree (H)	(S-1)	10.10 am, 4.00 pm, 6.45 pm
Pathibeku.com (K)	(S-2)	4.50 pm
Bindaas Googly (K)	(S-3)	1.00 pm
Ranam (Ma)	(S-3)	7.00 pm
C/o Kancharapalem (Te)	(S-4)	9.55 pm

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Stree (H)	12.55 pm, 7.00 pm
Pathibeku.com (K)	1.00 pm
The Nun (E)	2.45 pm, 5.10 pm, 7.00 pm, 10.00 pm
Sarkari Hi. Pra. Shale (K)	3.35 pm, 6.45 pm, 9.55 pm
Paltan (H)	3.40 pm, 10.00 pm
Ayogya (K)	3.45 pm
Geetha Govindam (Te)	6.55 pm
Ranam (Ma)	9.50 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (SEPT.7)

Mysuru District Bridge Association (MDBA), Bridge Federation of India (BFI) and Karnataka Bridge Association (KBA): National Inter-State Bridge Championship — Late Sri Kamalakar Rao Teams Trophy and Agarwala IMP Pairs Trophy, Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club, near Windflower Resort, **up to 7.30 pm.**

Sahara Art And Crafts: Shopping Festival, Expo-cum-Sale of Handicrafts and Handlooms, Scouts and Guides Grounds, behind DC's office, **up to 9.30 pm.**

Department of Physical Educaion (DPE), University of Mysore (UoM): Prize distribution of Inter-College Sports and Games, Gymnasium Hall, UoM, **3.30 pm.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: Annual State-level Youth Competition Nadakishorotsava, violin solo from C.V. Shruti, accompanied by Vikram Bharadwaj on mridanga, **4.30 pm;** Vocal concert by S. Chaitrika, accompanied by Keshava on violin and Pavan Masur on mridanga, **6 pm;** Music concert by M.R. Vishnu accompanied by Keshava on violin and Vikram on mridanga, G.R. Dasappa Auditorium, Mini Hall of Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, **7.30 pm.**

Sri Prasanna Krishnaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate: Vaibhava Srikrishnotsava Srimukha, Bakasura Vadhe, **6 pm.**

Sri Suttur Mutt, Mysuru: Shravana Masa, Pujanushtana and Discourse, Mass Prayer, **6 pm;** Dr. B.V. Vasanthakumar, Professor, Maharani's Arts College for Women, Mysuru, delivers discourse, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Ganabharathi: Krishna Jayanti Music and Dance Festival, flute recital by Vid. J.A. Jayanth, accompanied by Vid. Vittal Rangan on violin, Vid. K.U. Jayachandra Rao on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata, Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

Sri Krishna Seva Samithi Charitable Trust: Sri Krishna Janmashtami Cultural Programmes, Dance Programme by Vidu. Vaangmaye, Chaitanya Bhavan, Temple premises, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**

Udupi Sri Krishna Mandira: Sri Krishna Jayanti celebrations, Annadana, Vocal recital by Kanchana Sisters — Vidu. Kanchana Sriranjani and Vidu. Shruthi Ranjini — accompanied by Vid. Vybhav Ramani on violin and Vid. Ashok on mridanga, Mandira premises, Narayana Shastri Road, **6.30 pm.**

Rangayana: Staging of play 'Punteela,' Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (SEPT.8)

Sri Mukkanneshwara Swamy Temple, Ashoka Road: Golden Jubilee celebrations, Sri Shaneshwara Swamy Shravana Shanivara Puja Mahotsava, **6 am onwards;** Utsava, **4 pm;** Harikathe 'Sri Shanimahatme' or 'Raja Vikrama' by Harmonium Master Manju and troupe, Siddalingapura, **8 pm.**

Temporary Police Training School (CAR), Mysuru City: Passing Out Parade of 7th Batch CAR Police Probationers, IGP (Souther Range) K.V. Sharath Chandra chief guest, City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subramayeswara Rao and DCP (Law and Order) N. Vishnuvardhana will be present, KSRP 5th Battalion Parade Ground, Lalitha Mahal Road, **9 am.**

Youth Red Cross Unit and National Service Scheme, Vidyavardhaka Sangha - Sri K. Puttaswamy First Grade College: Voluntary Blood Donation Camp, K.R. Hospital Blood Bank Medical Officer Dr. B.S. Manjunath inaugurates, Vidyavardhaka Sangha Hon. President Gundappa Gowda presides, Sri K. Puttaswamy First Grade College premises, VVCE Campus, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **9.30 am.**

Bhavan's Priyamvada Birla Institute of Management (BPBIM) and Southern Economist: Symposium on 'Cryptocurrency - A new paradigm of Economy?,' Institute premises, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **10 am to 4 pm.**

Mysuru District Bridge Association (MDBA), Bridge Federation of India (BFI) and Karnataka Bridge Association (KBA): National Inter-State Bridge Championship — Late Sri Kamalakar Rao Teams Trophy and Agarwala IMP Pairs Trophy, Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club, near Windflower Resort, **10 am to 7.30 pm.**

University of Mysore (UoM), International Centre, Manasagangothri: Day-long Orientation Programme for Foreign Students, former DCP Dr. H.T. Shekar chief guest, UoM VC (in-Charge) Prof. T.K. Umesh presides, Vijnana Bhavana, Manasagangothri, **10.30 am.**

Sahara Art And Crafts: Shopping Festival, Expo-cum-Sale of Handicrafts and Handlooms, Scouts and Guides Grounds, behind DC's office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**

Mysore Art Gallery: Interaction with Achievers-32 (Achiever of the Month - Labourer-Art Director Akmal Pasha), Kadamba Ranga Vedike President Rajashekar Kadamba chief guest, theatre artistes D. Thippanna, Madavakhare, Rajesh and Nagaratna special invitees, Gallery premises, Ramanuja Road, **11 am.**

Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS) and Vaidyavartha Prakashana: Rajya Sabha MP Dr. L. Hanumanthaiah will release writer Dr. Aravind Malagatti's research work titled 'Chutuku Chintana Makavya Manthana,' Scholar Dr. T.V. Venkatachalashastri presides, KIKS premises, Manasagangothri, **11 am.**

Sri Renuka Kala Vrunda, Mysuru: Pouranika Rangotsava (Mythological Theatre Fest), staging of play 'Kurukshetra,' GTD Foundation President G.D. Harish Gowda inaugurates, Kannada & Culture Department Asst. Director Channappa presides, Town Hall, **11.30 am.**

Nisarga Trust: Naisargika Savayava Raitara Sante (Natural Organic Farmers Fair) and Demo on 'Preparing Organic Jaggery' by Honnur Prakash, Aluru Murthy and Anand, Trust premises, Kamakshi Hospital Road, next to Happy Man Park, Kuvempunagar, **11.30 am.**

Sneha Sinchana Trust - Sanje Minchu and Suddiya Kaigannadi Patrike Balaga: Teachers Day celebrations, presentation of 'Sneha Sinchana' and 'Shikshaka Seva Ratna - 2018,' Sri Chidananda Swamiji and Sri Ilai Alwar Swamiji will grace the occasion, Primary and Secondary Education Minister N. Mahesh inaugurates, former President of District Kannada Sahitya Parishat Maddikere Gopal presides, Sri Nataraja Kalyana Mantapa, Sri Hosmutt, **4 pm.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: Annual State-level Youth Competition Nadakishorotsava, Vocal concert by Vipanchee Raghuram, accompanied by C.V. Shruti on violin and Vikram on mridanga, **4.30 pm;** Vocal concert by N.H. Srihari Bhat, supported on violin by Shruti and on mridanga by Vikram Bharadwaj, **6 pm;** Mandolin Concert by Rakshith Prasad, assisted by Tumkur Yashasvi on violin and Pavan Masur on mridanga, G.R. Dasappa Auditorium, Mini Hall of Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, **7.30 pm.**

Raaga Music Academy, Mysuru: Grand Krishna Jayanti celebrations, Mahapuja, **5 pm to 6 pm;** Flute Recital by Vid. Krishna Pawan Kumar, accompanied by Vid. Mysore Sumanth Manjunath on violin and Vid. Sai Shivu Lakshmi Keshav on mridanga, Prajna Kuteera Ayurveda Centre, #434, 'Melody,' A & B Block, Vishwamanava Double Road, Kuvempunagar, **9 pm to 8 pm.**

District Kannada Sahitya Parishat and District Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru: Seminar on 'Vachana Sahityadalli Vaicharikathe' and felicitation ceremony, folk scholar Prof. Kalegowda Nagavara inaugurates, Rajya Sabha MP and writer Dr. L. Hanumanthaiah speaks on the topic, Kannada Sahitya Parishat Mysuru President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna presides, Sharana Sahitya Parishat Mysuru President M. Chandrashekar delivers keynote address, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat premises, Palace North Gate, **5 pm.**

Anathalaya and Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions: M. Venkatakrishnaiah Award Presentation Ceremony, senior Scholar Prof. T.V. Venkatachalashastry chief guest and presents award to senior journalist Eshwara Daithota, Venkatakrishnaiah auditorium, Sarada Vilas Law College, Krishnamurthypuram, **5.30 pm.**

Sri Suttur Mutt, Mysuru: Shravana Masa, Pujanushtana and Discourse, Mass Prayer, **6 pm;** Dr. B.V. Vasanthakumar, Professor, Maharani's Arts College for Women, Mysuru, delivers discourse, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Sri Prasanna Krishnaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate: Vaibhava Srikrishnotsava Srimukha, Yamalarjuna Moksha, **6 pm.**

Shivasharane Hemareddy Mallamma Balaga: Valedictory of Shravana Sanje - Hemareddy Mallamma Purana Vaachana-Vyaakhyaana, valedictory address by Prof. M. Krishnegowda, retd. Principal, St. Philomena's College, #12/45, D-Block, Chamundi Hill Road, J.C. Nagar, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Ishtanandaji speaks about 'Atmabodha,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Ganabharathi: Krishna Jayanti Music and Dance Festival, Hindustani vocal concert by Vidu. Kalpana Sumanth, accompanied by Vid. Sriram Bhat on harmonium and Vid. Ramesh Dhanoor on tabla, Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

Udupi Sri Krishna Mandira: Sri Krishna Jayanti celebrations, Devaranama by Geetha Vasudeva Rao and Tara B.L. Rao (daughters of late K. Seetharama Rao) and party, Bhajans by Dharmabushana late K. Seetharama Rao's sons, grandsons, brothers' sons and grandsons, Mandira premises, Narayana Shastri Road, **6.30 pm.**

Mysore University Economics Teachers' Association and Department of Economics, Maharaja's College, University of Mysore: One day workshop on *Teaching of Economics for UG programme under CBCS*, Prof. R.S. Deshapande, Former Director, Institute of Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, inaugurates; Dr. S. Indumathi, former VC, Davanagere University, presides; Dr. B.K. Tulasimala, Professor and Chairperson, Dept. of Studies in Economics and Co-operation, Manasagangotri, and Dr. H.Y. Sreeshakumar, Jt. Director, Dept. of Collegiate Education, Regional Office, Mysore, chief guests; Junior BA Hall, Maharaja's College, **10 am.**

First prize in 'Maharshi Ganayana'

Mysuru, Sept.7- Ruthvik C. Raj of Jnanodaya PU College, Saraswathipuram, has bagged first prize in the District-level Inter-Collegiate Film Hit Songs Competition conducted by Maharshi Vidya Samsthe titled 'Maharshi Ganayana.'

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